

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Service for the Lord's Day  
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4, 2019

10:00 a.m.

*In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Hymn Sing (9:45) - Hymns for the Lord's Supper: 511, 497, 505, 521

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Air for Cello and Oboe" Al Tartrunis

Call to Worship from Colossians 1:25-27

The mystery of God has been hidden throughout the ages,  
*but now it has been revealed to God's saints.*

To us, God chose to make known the riches of this mystery,  
*for the mystery revealed is Christ in us, the hope of glory.*

\* Hymn 509 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"  
*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

*O God of grace and wisdom,  
our hearts have been discouraged  
and we have not been united in love.  
We have put our hope in things that perish  
and lived as if we still belonged to the world.  
Free us from our willing captivity to all that is unworthy of you, and save us from  
every form of self-indulgence,  
that we might live abundantly in the power of Christ,  
whom you have raised from the dead.*

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

\* Response 447

*We are forgiven! We are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God!  
We are forgiven! We are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God!*

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Luke 12:13-21 (NT, p. 74)

A Time with Children

Anthem "Grace" Mark Hayes  
Members of the adult choir

Second Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4:1 (NT, p. 201)

Sermon: "Life, Hidden and Obvious" Rev. Carter

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Hymn 822 "When We Are Living"

\* Affirmation of Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

*Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation;  
for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,  
things visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—  
all things have been created through him and for him.  
He himself is before all things,  
and in him all things hold together.  
He is the head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,  
so that he might come to have first place in everything.  
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was  
pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven,  
by making peace through the blood of his cross.*

Offering

Offertory "Lamentation" AL Tartrunis

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Hymnal, pp. 8-12)

Communion of the People

- Please hold the bread until all are served, so that we might share it as a sign of our unity in

Christ. In the serving of the bread, we will sing hymn 522.

- As a sign of individual devotion and commitment, you may drink the cup as you are served. As the cup is served, we will sing hymn 529.

### GO IN GOD'S NAME

\* Hymn 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Congregational Amen

\* Postlude "Postlude" Powell

*All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude.  
If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.*

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\* All who are able shall stand.

*The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Johanna Conklin by John Conklin.*

### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Musicians	Members of the adult choir, cello John Weiss, oboe Connie Weiss
Liturgist	Judy Cutler
Ushers	Jeanne DeVirgilis, Hadley Gilbert
Greeter	John Conklin
Communion Servers	Myrna Diven, captain John Diven, Ginny O'Brien, Nancy Dennen, Nancy Post, Phil Muntzel

*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

## Colossians 3:3

**My** words & thoughts do both expresse this notion,  
That **Life** hath with the sun a double motion.  
The first **Is** straight, and our diurnall friend,  
The other **Hid**, and doth obliquely bend.  
One life is wrapt **In** flesh, and tends to earth.  
The other winds towards **Him**, whose happie birth  
Taught me to live here so, **That** still one eye  
Should aim and shoot at that which **Is** on high:  
Quitting with daily labour all **My** pleasure,  
To gain at harvest an eternall **Treasure**.

from *The Temple*  
George Herbert (1593-1633)

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